AGRICULTURAL REFORM.

STURETARY MORTON TALKS TO THE TIMES CORRESPONDENT.

He Proposes to do for Virginia and North Carolina-Mr. Bissell.

TOUR BUREAU, RAVIEW BULLDING, 1 WASHINGTON, May 19, 1893.

the appropriation for

c last fiscal year the appropria-ced was \$135,000. The seed cost and the balance had been expend-

with the preparation of the al exhibit, and, in addition to Willett had been chosen the charge of the whole Govern-bit, and until it was thoroughly

ant Secretary of Agriculture

ative Harry Tucker arrived cal Riesell in reference to his re-ruling about fourth-class postoffices, has caused such dismay in the softhe faithful. Mr. Tucker says when the true position of Mr. Bis-understood by the people they will lead it as when and refresh

Tucker says he was especially a with the fact that Mr. Bissell ughly understood the Southern sits and would prove himself one of

nesentative Tucker also secured the intment of C. M. Parkins, of Augusta ty, as measured in the Interior De-

Democrats of the country need

nothing to fear so far as the Treas-lepartment is concerned. Congress-Swanson, of the Fifth district, had man Swanson, of the Fifth district, had guite a long interview with Secretary Cartisle yesterday in regard to the changes now going on in that department. Mr. Cartisle told him that he was asking for resignations because the incumbents were Republicans, and he was putting toen in who were Democrats. There were just as good Democrats out of office as these were Republicans in, and he prothere were Republicans in, and he pro-posed to see that the Democrats had the The Secretary's son, Mr. Logan Carlisle,

Sixth district a full share of the

C. Porterfield to be postmis

in a Lamocratic district. H. L. W.

THE MENISTRY RESIGN,

LONDON, May 19,-A dispatch received

SUNDAY OPENING POSTPONED

In Order to Give the National Commission

CHICAGO, May 19.—Sunday opening of the World's Fair has been postponed for week. The local directors held a meeting this evening, at which it was decided give the National Commission sufficient time to take action on the new Sunday

the following telegram to Grover Cleve-land, Washington, D. C.: The First United Presbyterian church of Boston, distructing both the directory and com-missioners, appeals to you to suppress the Chicago pullification with Jacksonian

MRS. PARNELL'S PLEA GRANTED. The Court Orders That She Receive Her Share of the O'Shea Estate.

LONDON, May 19.-Mrs, Catherine Parnell, widow of the late Charles Stewart Parnell, has applied to the chancery division of the high court of justice to com-pel the trustees to distribute the funds due under the O'Shea seiflement. The trustees had withheld the share of the applicant under the belief that eventually there would be a balance due by her in respect to the Wood estate.

The counsel for Mrs. Parnell stated that the applicant had children who were now depending on one hundred pounds a year obtained from another source.

The judge ordered the money to be paid into court, the applicant to receive her where forthwith.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS ROUTED.

Brazilian Insurgents Draw Them Into an Ambuscade—Bis Victory LONDON, May 19.—A dispatch from Rio

Janeiro says that a battle between the national and insurgent forces has just been fought at Poncherde, Rio Grande do.

The Government troops, under General Telles, were drawn into an ambusende, and then were routed by an inferior force under General Tavres. The insurgents captured a large amount of artillery, small arms, ammunition and baggage.

They lost but few men, although they inflicted heavy losses upon the national

They are now marching rapidly towards Bage.

James E. Murdock Dead.

CINCINNATI, May 19.—James E. Murdock, the famous actor, died at 5:30 o'clock this morning, aged eighty-three years. For two years he had been ill from various aliments. He was tenderly cared for to the last by his daughters, Misses Fanny and Ida.

Dock Strikers Beaten. HULL, May 19.—The Union Dock laborers' strike ended to-day. The strikers are

who is the chief clerk of the Treasury. THE COUNCIL ADJOURNS

is helping his father in the selection of stering Democrats, and there will not be any chance to say that this department CLOSING SESSION OF THE EPISCO-PAL BODY AT WINCHESTER,

> Interesting Reports Read and Discussions Conducted-Next Session to be

this morning, prayer were read by the Revs. S. A. Wallis, of Pohick church, Fairfax county, and Evarard Meade, of Virginia churchmanship. It also conof the Seminary, preached the sermon that while the Bishop ever cares for the and undefiled before God and the Father | him in providing proper assistance when is this to visit the fatherless and widows ever in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

The council opened for business at II order, the Rev. B. M. Randolph gave that of the Episcopal fund, saying that the accounts were examined and found cor-

The Rev. R. A. Castleban presented the eport of the committee on parochial re-orts. The statistics are as follows: saptisms—Adults, white, 109; colored, 23; cotal, 132. Infants—White, 233; colored, 1014, 386; grand total, 512. Confirmations—White, 211; colored, 7; total, 318. Communicants—White, 8,173; colored, 119; cotal, 8,238. Marriages—White, 106; colored, 8,238.

being one of the best of which he has any knowledge. There are two vacancies on the board of trustees—one by the death of General Joseph R. Anderson the other by the resignation of Mr. Bas kervill. A committee of conference of the relations of the two discesses to the institute is to be appointed by the Eishopso as to meet with the authorities of the Southern Diocese. A committee of three, the Revs. Messrs. Burton, Newtor and Mr. Joseph Bryan was appointed to draft resolutions to the memory of Dr. Dashiell, so long the faithful and efficient secretary of 'council.

The churches which paid their rectors more than the salaries promised are St. Margaret's chapel, Caroline; Grace and Trinity churches, and Whittle chapel, Fauquier; St. Paul's, Hanover; St. Stephen's, Fauquier; St. Paul's and Grace churches, Prince William; Christ church, Fairfax, and Christ church, Orange. The churches delinquent in the payment of salaries are St. Timothy's and Olivet, Fairfax county; Emanuel, Fauquier; St. John's, Louisa; Abingdon, Glouces.er; Moore-Memorial, Henrice; Wicomico, Northumberland; St. John's, Albernarie, and Vawier's and St. Martin's, Essex county. The committee on the report of

unty. The committee on the report e diocesan missionary committee ask the diocesan missionary committee asket that the report be recommitteed to the diocesan committee for conference with the treasurer, Mr. J. L. Williams, so a to make the report correct. On account of the payment of certain funds by the treasurer of the diocesan committee of this diocese to the treasurer of the corresponding committee of the Southern Diocese, the accounts cannot be properly balanced until the settlement of the fund between the two dioceses is effected by the appointed committee. The Bishon between the two dioceses is effected by
the appointed committee. The Bishop
said he had taken the responsibility of
carrying on the necessary husiness in
this and other matters between the two
dioceses on account of the death of the
secretary, which action on his part was
heartily approved by the council. Mr.
Thomas Potts moved that the order of
places of meeting of the council be published in the Journal so as to read Winchester, Richmond, Charlottesville, Alexandria and Fredericksburg.
There was an animated discussion on
the payment of the rent of the Episcopal
rooms in Richmond by the diocese. The

rooms in Richmond by the diocese. Th Bishop made a foretble speech, advocat ing this payment, which was unanimousl granted. A petition from Bruton parish Williamsburg, that York and James City counties be restored to the old diocese, was offered by Thomas Potts, of Richmond. This petition was unanimously granted by the council. This petition must also go to the council of the dioces of Southern Virginia, and if granted must be brought before general convention for its approval. Four members of the Brotherhood are reported dead. The work of the Brotherhood, which is to give as large amount as possible to the families of the deceased clergymen, is specially commended to the diocese.

The following resolution to the mem-ory of Dr. Dashiell, the late secretary of the Council, was passed by a rising vote of the Council: Whereas the Dinvine Head of the Church has seen fit in his wise providence to re-move from his ministry in the church

militant on earth our dear brother, the Rev. T. G. Dashiell, D. D., therefore be it Resolved, That we desire to put on record our deep sense of loss in view of his faithful and efficient performance of

his duties as secretary of the Council THE INFANTA ARRIVES.

f a century. Resolved, That we assure his afflicted family and hereaved congregation of our sincere sympathy, and exmestly com-mend them to the comfort of God. WINCHESTER, VA., May 19.—Special.—
The third day's proceedings of the annual Diocesan Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Virginia was well attended.

Divine service was held at 10 o'clock.

Which referred to the changed relations brought about by the division of the dloss on the mission work in Tidovater Virginia, which had done so much for the church in the history of the old diocese, and also to the fields of the mountain districts; showed how, while diocese were of necessity dividing, yet there were unifying influences binding the church as a whole to see their in the Woman's Auxiliary and the St. Andrew's Brotherhood; called attentions.

evangelist of the diocese, Dr. Nelson, gratulated the diocese on the improve. and members of their party, was some-

MORE CREVASSES.

The Cotton Crop in the Overflooded Dis-

NEW ORLEANS, May 19.-Major H. B. Richardson, chief State engineer, says

THE NICARAGUA REPOLUTION.

It is Reported That an Agreement for an Armistice Has Been Reached.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19.-Accord mg to information received here the Nica-

and the fact that it did not come out to Secretary Gresham from Nica-ua. Evidentity, however, the source one entitled to credit, as the news is epted as authentic at the department. cepted as authentic at the department, the absence of direct advices from caragua it is regarded as almost indicable. It is expected that the cruiser anta will reach Greytown in a day or , and the Alliance will probably be a days later in reaching the west coast. of Nicaragua, where most of the fighting has taken place.

A Most Unique Strike.

A Most Unique Strike.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 19,—The entire force of stone-cutters on the Government building struck to-day. The strike in the result of singular circumstatices. Some tools belonging to one of the men were stolen. He found them in a pawn shop and redeemed them for \$2.50, which amount the union ordered to be paid by the contractor, D. A. Sullivan. This he refused to do, and the strike was ordered. strike was ordered.

More Jews Expelled.

MERRY, May 19.—A new ukase has been issued expelling the Jews from the Asiatic provinces of the Russian Empire. The enforcement of the ukase will cause widespread suffering, as the decree includes within its scope thousands of Jewish refugees from Shah Jetha Ali's persecutions, who had entered the Russian territory under a guarantee that they would be protected in the enjoyment of religious freedom.

News of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19.—Secre-tary Herbert has selected Lieutenanttary Herbert has selected Lieutenant-Commander Hald for executive duty on the San Francisco. He will be detached from duty in the Bureau of Navigation on the 1st of June, and will relieve Lieutenant-Commander Tilley, who will go on leave for three months.

Lieutenant-Commander E. V. Wood has been detached from the Concord and ordered to duty in the Bureau of Navigation.

Tennessee Bankers Meet.

CHATTANOOGA, May 19.-The bankers of Tennessee, representing eighty-five bunks, assembled at Knoxville to-day in annual convention. A resolution petition-ing Congress to repeal the Sherman silver

DeCimes.

THE SPANISH PRINCESS REACHES WASHINGTON.

Received by Secretary Gresham and Taken to Her Hotel. The Arrival and Departure at New York.

QUARANTINE, S. I., May 19.-The day dawned bright and beautiful and the waters of the Narrows and the lower bay glistened and glinted in the sunlight. and members of their party, was somepected until early this morning.

This, however, did not interfere with the arrangements for the reception of the representatives of the Queen Regent of shortly afterwards by the Spanish war ship infanta Isabet. At 9.39 the Spanish vessels weighed

At 9.5 the Spanish vessels weighed anchor and passing in were preceded by the Dolphin, which had been awaiting their movements off the Government their movements of the Government

yond the gray walls of Fort Wadsworth and about three cable lengths behind he carries no yards, had all her bunting set The Dolphin ran past the dock here

to anchor. The Reina Maria Christina followed, dropping her anchor



Dr. Jenkins boarded the Reina Maris Christina to pay his respects to the In Indiana, and shortly afterward an eight oared boat, with the Spanish flag in the stern and the purple standard of Spain in front of it, was pulled to the gang-way. As infants and Prince Antonio went over the side the Saragossa band on the Reina Maria Christina struck up the Spanish national authem. The small boat was then pulled around the Reina Maria Christina and headed for the In-fanta Isabel, which was surrounded by tugs, yachts and small boats.

As the boat bearing the Infanta ap-proached the warship yards were man-ted, and as she went on board a salute of 21 guns was fired. When the guns of the warship had ceased their booming the cannon at Fort Hamilton took u for gun. Upon the cessation of firing the crew of the Infanta Isabel gave three cheers for their royal visitor. At II:le the Infanta Isabel hove her anchor and hended up the bay, and with her royal passengers proceeded for Jersey City.

Description of the Young Princess. JERSEY CITY, N. J., May 19.—The water was so rough that the Infanta declined to board the Dolphin down in the bay, and it was arranged that the ships should rendezvous in the North river near Jersey City, where the transfer could be

more safely made.

The Infanta Isalel, with the Infanta on board, anchored opposite the Pennsylvania railroad docks at noon. The Dolphin came up lifteen minutes later. The Infanta was transferred from the Isabel

Infanta was transferred from the Isabel to the Dolphin in the captain's xiz. The Isabel fired twenty-one guns, and the Polphin twenty-one as the Infanta was received on board. They were echoed from Fort Columbus, on Governor's Island, and then the Isabel fired unother twenty-one-gun salute.

At 2:45 o'clock the Infanta and party were transferred to the Government tus Narheta, and landed at the elevator, and were taken up to the elevated rairoad station. The elevator was handsomely carpeted for the occasion, and carpets were laid from the elevator along the platform to the train. The train consisted of four to the train. The train consisted of four cars—the composité Premier, the dining-car Magdalene, the parlor car Felicia and President Pullman's private car

Whdwood.

The party was in charge of Robert A. Parke, the Southeastern passenger agent of the Pennsylvania railroad. Before the train started a crowd of

several hundred people had gathered about the special train, and more par-ticularly about the private car Wildwood, which was set apart for the exclusive use of the young Princess and her im-mediate suite. As she alighted from her

carriage and faced the crowd that gazed in respectful silence upon the party, she betrayed the first sign of timidity, and for a second clung to the arm of her escort. Commander Davis.

So far as her habit was concerned, she might have passed for a typical young American matron; robed in a pretty lightgray silk, with puffed sleeves, and made in a degree of fuliness in the skirt just the least bit susgestive of a substitute for crinoline. But there was a hint of the Spanish leaning toward rich color effects in the small turban-shaped gray cap neatly trimmed with black lace, and pronounced red and green feathers.

Just a murmur of approbation by the crowd swelled into a genuine American cheer as the Infanta steepped lightly upon the rear platform of the Wildwood, and gays a bright smile and how of acknowl-

gav: a bright smile and bow of acknowledgement. As the train rolled away the convention held last year a similar re-solution was presented, but withdrawn on account of some difference of opinion. Visitors turned their attention to its ap. T. W. tional can rairoad travel was all unknown to vent,

them, and they were not backward in admitting the pleasure and novelty of the frip. Added to the comfort of the interior Gip. Added to the comfort of the interior arrangements was the beauty of the landscape along the line of travel, so that the Princess finally remarked with a sigh of pleasure that she wondered whether Europe did not look small and approfitable to the people who lived in this great country. An elaboratte course dinner was served on the train after leaving Baltimore, and so the time consumed in the run to Washington passed quickly and

WASHINGTON, May 19.-The Royal ain arrived in Washington at 8:40 o'clock o-night. An immense crowd of people athered in the vicinity of the Pennsylsefore the train arrived. Then attaches of the Spanish Legation were there as arry as 7 o'clock. The party from the egation also included Mrs. J. L. M. Curry, he wife of the ex-Minister of the United read yesterday afternoon. Five minutes later there was a stir

mong the rapidly gathering throng, and a faint cheer went up as four troops of

ary Quincy came shortly after the arrival of the cavalry, in Mr. Gresham's carriage, followed almost immediately by a handsome barouche, drawn by four magnificent bay horses. It was President Cleveland's carriage, and the President's cachmen, with a brand new footman, were on the box.

After two or three false alarms the special train steamed into the station exactly on time. Secretary Gresham, the State Department officials and the party from the Spanish legation walked nearer to the tracks as the train came to a standstill. The Princess was the first to alight. She was assisted from the train by Gommander Davis. The Spanish Minister, Senor Muruaga, was just behind the Princess, but before he could alight Secretary Gresham pressed forward and Commander Davis presented him to the infanta as the representative of the President. The Princess and Secretary Gresham greeted each other pleasantly, and then other members of the receiving party gathered about them.

When the Infanta saw Mrs. Curry there

When the Infanta saw Mrs. Curry there was a pretty scene. The two had known each other intimately in Madrid, and the each other intimately in Madrid, and the recognition was followed by a warm hand-clasp, while Mrs, Curry imprinted a kiss on each cheek of the Princess. The greetings over, Secretary Gresham offered his arm to the Princess, and preceded by Colonel Wilson and Mr. Parke, and followed by the Infanta's suite and the others of the offeral gathering, they walked down the carpeted platform to the carriage entrance of the station.

walked down the carpeted platform to the carriage entrance of the station.
Outside the crowd was enormous, and the Princess looked pleased as she saw the throng that had gathered to receive her. She chatted sally in English with Mr. Gresham all the while. The Infanta, Secretary Gresham, Minister Muruaga and Prince Antonio entered the President's carriage, the cavalrymen saluted them, and the procession began to move up Pennsylvania avenue towards the Arling-

one of those that were onacted during the imaggration. A rowd, the like of which has not been seen since that time, lined Pennsylvania avenue on either side from the Sixth-street station to the Treasury Department and to the Arlington Hotel. Occasionally in re-Princess graciously bowed. She was seated on the right of the Secretary, facing Prince Antonio and the Spanish Minister. and seemed particularly pleased at the lemonstrations of condiality manifested

out kept up a continued conversation with the Premior of the Administration. The apartments occupied by the Prin-tess and her suite at the Arlington are distoric. Though annexed to the hotel, hey form a separate house. It was the ild residence of Charles Sumner, and Is

but a stone's throw distant from the White House.

A large bunch of sweet peas stood on a table in the parlor from Mrs. Curry; other floral gifts were around, but the chief among them rested upon the table in the Princess' private drawing-room on the second floor. It was a tribute from Mrs. Cleveland, and consisted of a large basket of magnificent American beauties, orchids and lilies of the valley.

The structs were thronged with people, and a loud cheer went up as the Princess stepped to the pavement, "Hats off" shouted some one in the crowd, and instantly every head was uncovered. It was with great difficulty that the police kept the people from surging forward. John M. Wilson received the party at the door.

the Princess passed into the reception room, accompanied by Secretary Gres-ham and Assistant Secretaries Adee and Quincy and her suite. A moment later and the representatives of the Govern-

ment retired, and Commander Davis hade the party good night. To-morrow morning she will pay her respects to President and Mrs. Cleveland. The programme for the day beyond that has not been agreed upon. The names f the distinguished party as they apof the distinguished party as they pear on the Arlington register are as follows: Her Royal Highness, the Infanta of Spain; His Royal Highness Prince Anadre De Bourbon Orleans; His Excelency, the Duke of Damares, Marchiness Arm Hermosa; Senor Don Pedro Jover. Tovar, the private secretary of the

The Behring Sen Fleet.

SEATTLE, WASH. May 19.—The United States steamer Mobican has arrived at Port Townsend. The arrival of the Mohiin completes the American fleet to duty during the coming summer in Behring sea. Other vessels on this assignment, now in these waters are the steamers Ranger and Cutters, Bear, Rush and Corwin. Cartain Nicholas Ludlow, community of the Mahian, being the seal. officer of the fleet, will act as admiral of the squadron. The fleet is expected to leave for the North Saturday.

Major James Penn Buried. REIDSVILLE, N. C., May 19.—Special.— The recains of Major James Penn, of this place, who died on May 17th, were laid to rest yesterday at Hillside ceme-

The Second battalion af the Third regiment paraded on the grounds to-day in charge of Colonel G. W. Howlett and Ad-jutant Kemper Smith.

A Receiver Appointed. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 13.—Comptroller Eckels to-day appointed Mr. John T. Williamson, receiver of the Second National Bank of Columbia, Tenn., Insol-

SECOND DAY OF THE PRESENTE. RIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Judge Lapsly Makes a Good Moderator. The Christian Endeavor Question. Committees Appointed.

MACON, GA., May 19.-Special.-The Presbyterian General Assembly is now in good working trim, and all hands have got down to hard work. The weather is perfect, and the delegates are delighted

Rev. Dr. Hazen, secretary of the publication committee, of Richmond, Va., 18 here in the interest of his branch of the work. Rev. Dr. Kerr, of Richmond, is

also here.

At 8 o'clock last evening the assembly listened to a delightful sermon by Rev. Dr. N. M. Woods, of Memphis. After the sermon the cause of the Scamen's Bethel, of New Orleans, was presented by Rev. Mr. Steel, the chaplain of the Rev. Mr. Steel, the chaplain of the Bethel,

Judge J. W. Lapsly, the new moderator, Judge J. W. Lapsly, the new moderator, is the first layman ever chosen to preside over a General Assembly of the Preabyterian Church. He was unanimously elected, and makes a superb presiding officer. Judge Lapsly is a prominent lawyer of Anniston, Ala., and the father of the lamented Rev. Samuel Lapsly, the young missionary to Africa, who died last year while prosecuting his work.

Rev. Messrs. Lancaster and McAlpine, missionaries, are attending the assembly as a commission from their respective

as a commission from their respective Presbyteries. They will address the as-sembly in regard to their fields of labor at some time during the session.

Rev. Dr. Kerr, of Richmond, was granted the privilege of the floor to present the claims of his hymn-book. "The Soars of the

claims of his hymn-book. The Soars of the Ages." The subject of adopting the book will come up later.

Rev. A. R. Holderby, chairman of the committee on devotional exercises, will announce the preaching appointments for next Sunday at the night session. The other committees have been appointed by the moderator, and the committeemen are hard at work preparing their reports. Rev. P. H. Hoge, of Wilmington, N. C.

arrived to-day, and took his place in the assembly. Corresponding and visiting ministers from other ecclesiastical bodies will arrive in a few days, and will address the ssembly.

The subject of Christian Endeavor So-

cicties will be brought up during the ses-sion, when an interesting discussion is expected. Some of the members will fight the movement upon the ground that it is unscriptural. We expect, therefore, a rather lively time. Other matters of much importance to the Church at large will come up next

The assembly is made up very largely of young and aggressive men.

Mr. O. B. Morgan, of Petersburg, Va., and a representative from East, Hanover Presbytery, reached Macon to-day, and was enrolled.

The Proceedings in Detail. The proceedings were opened with prayer by Rev. F. McMurray, D. D., of Arkansas. The moderator announced his standing committees, after which a number of overtures were read and properly referred. One for a deliverance from "card-playing and worldly amusements." was amended, the word "other" being in-

serted by the assembly the assembly formulate solemn and com-prehensive deliverance from the gigantic evil of newspaper publication on Sunday, saying that unless something done to check the influence of ungodliness there could be no really effective scriptural observance of the Sabbath. The brace deliverance from spending the day in gathering news, purchasing papers, furnishing advertisements and items of

news and giving sermons in by synopsis. The matter was referred. An overture for a training school at Sing Chian, in China, was referred to the committee on foreign missions.

The synod of Texas wanted a plan of systematic work established for spread-

ing the gospel among seventy-eight good Mexicans in that State. The report of the committee on organiz-ing a colored synod was adverse. The members thought the colored people are

not ready for it. Reports of the Columbia Theological Seminary at Columbia, S. C., and the Union Theological Seminary at Hampton city, Va., which were received and referred to the committee, showed an encouraging

Letters were read from the Pan Presbyterian Alliance proposing the formation of a Federation. William C. Deland, representing the

Seventh Day Baptists, wanted the assembly to co-operate with them in observing Saturday as the Sabbath. The matter was referred to the committee on foreign correspondence.

The same committee was directed to

prepare a letter to the Reform Dutch

Church in response to a letter received from them extending cordial greeting. A telegram was sent to the Northern Presbyterian Assembly, in session at Washington, expressive of kindly greeting. Last year a committee was appointed to revise the directory of worship. It today presented to the assembly a directory

day presented to the assembly a directory prepared under their care.

The ad interim committee on a new hymnal recommended the adoption of a book entitled "Hymns of Ages," prepared by Rev. R. T. Kerr, of Richmond.

The morning session concluded with religious services. Dr. Greene, of Kentucky: Dr. Law, of South Carolina, and Dr. Murkiin, of Baitimore, led in prayer, "The hymns, "How Firm a Foundation," "Oh, For a Closer Walk With God," and "Come, Holy Spirit," were sung by the congregation. There was no session of the assembly this afternoon. The various committees met for organization and bust-

or mittees met for organization and bust-The night session was devoted to re-ligious exercises. Rev. W. U. Markland preached to a large congregation. The hearing of the report of the committees on selecting a hymn book was postponed until to-morrow morning. Dr. R. P. Kerr, f Richmond, Va., who, with his assistants.

has arranged "Hymns of the Ages," offers the copyright of this book to the assem-bly, and it is thought probable that the book will be adopted. RANGE OF THERMOMETER.

Range of thermometer at The Times office yeaterday: 9 A. M., 59; 12 M., 70; 3 P. M., 72; 6 P. M., 70; 9 P. M., 65; mid-night, 64. Average, 66 5-6. WEATHER FORECAST. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19.-For Virginia: Fair, warmer winds, shifting

to southwest.

For North Carolina and South Carolina:
Fair till Sunday, warmer, south or southwest winds. Weather Conditions-The storm has Weather Conditions—The storm has moved from South Dakota to Manitola, a pressure of 28.98 being reported from Winnipes and a maximum south wind of seventy-two miles from Saint Vincent. A clearing condition is central over Florida. Rain has fallen in the extrerae northwest. The temperature has allen in the upper Missouri Valley and southward to Texas. It has generally risen elsewhere.